

REMARKS

The claims are subjected to a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 as containing two patentably distinct inventions:

- I. Claims 1-7, 19-26, and 38-40 are drawn to a method, a computer readable medium and a system for broadcasting an announcement signal, classified in class 455, subclass 3.02.
- II. Claims 8-18, 27-37, and 41-44 are drawn to methods, a computer readable medium, and a system for accessing a computer network by detecting a broadcast signal, classified in class 709, subclass 225.

Applicant hereby elects, with traverse, to prosecute Group I, claims 1-7, 19-26, and 38-40, in the event that the restriction requirement is maintained. Claims 8-18, 27-37, and 41-44 are canceled without prejudice in the event that the restriction requirement is maintained.

Applicant contends that both groups can be conveniently searched and examined together without a serious burden to the Office. MPEP 803 states:

If the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner *must* examine it on the merits, *even though it includes claims to distinct or independent inventions*. (Emphasis added).

For this reason, Applicant respectfully transverses the Office's restriction requirement.

Conclusion

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2 Applicant respectfully submits that all of the claims are in condition for
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